Method of Test for
SIEVE ANALYSIS OF FINE AND COARSE AGGREGATE
DOTD Designation: TR 113-15

INTRODUCTION

These methods of test are designed to determine the particle size distribution of fine and coarse aggregates. The mix of coarse and fine particles within the material being tested, in conjunction with the proposed use of the material, determines which test method is to be used. Table 1, Testing Requirements, identifies the basic appropriate test method. When materials are not listed in Table 1, the department will determine the test method to be used. When the percentage of material passing the 75 µm (No. 200 sieve is critical to the proposed use, the district laboratory engineer has the authority to require a washed gradation in addition to or in place of dry sieving.

These methods are not to be used alone for sieve analysis of aggregates recovered from asphaltic mixtures or for the sieve analysis of mineral fillers. The sieve analysis of mineral filler is to be determined in accordance with DOTD TR 102. The sieve analysis of aggregates recovered from asphaltic mixtures is determined in accordance with DOTD TR 309; only the steps for dry sieving in this procedure are used in conjunction with TR 309.

TABLE OF METHODS

Method A – Dry sieve only.
Method B – Wash and dry sieve.
Method C – Split sample. Dry sieve, then wash representative portion of material passing the 4.75 mm sieve.

TABLE 1 Testing Requirements	
Material	**Method**
Concrete Sand or Mortar Sand	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Uncrushed Coarse Aggregate for Concrete	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Crushed Coarse Aggregate for Concrete	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Lightweight Aggregate for Concrete	TR 113 Method A
Sand Clay Gravel – Base Course Aggregate	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
Sand – Base Course Aggregate	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Stone – Base Course Aggregate	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
Recycled PCC – Base Course Aggregate	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
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TABLE 1 Testing Requirements continued	
Crushed Slag – Base Course Aggregate	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Stone – Aggregate Surface Course	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
Sand Clay Gravel – Aggregate Surface Course	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
Recycled PCC – Aggregate Surface Course	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
RAP – Aggregate Surface Course	TR 113 Method A
Crushed Slag – Aggregate Surface Course	TR 113 Method C
Aggregates For Asphaltic Surface Treatment, Excluding Lightweight & Expanded Clay	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Gravel, Stone & Slag – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	AASHTO T84 APPENDENDIX x1 AASHTO T 85
Coarse Sand – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	AASHTO T84 APPENDENDIX x1 AASHTO T 85
Fine Sand – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	AASHTO T84 APPENDENDIX x1 AASHTO T 85
Natural Sand – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	AASHTO T84 APPENDENDIX x1 AASHTO T 85
Screenings – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	AASHTO T84 APPENDENDIX x1 AASHTO T 85
Lightweight and Expanded Clay – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	TR 113 Method A
Pit Run Sand-Gravel – Aggregate for Asphaltic Mixtures	AASHTO T84 APPENDENDIX x1 AASHTO T 85
Crushed Gravel Stone or Crushed Slag for Asphalt Treated Drainage Blanket	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Granular Material – Bedding Material	TR 112 & TR 113 Method C
Bedding Material, excluding Shell	TR 113 Method A
Sand for Embankment	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Blended Calcium Sulfate – Non-Plastic Embankment	TR 113 Method A
Back Fill-Stone or Crushed Gravel	TR 113 Method A
Backfill Sand Granular B	TR 112 & TR 113 Method B
Back Fill Stone Gravel C	Method C

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

1. AASHTO Designation; M 92, Standard Specifications for Sieves for Testing Purposes
2. DOTD TR 112, Amount of Material Finer than the 75 µm Sieve
3. DOTD TR 108, Splitting and Quartering Samples
4. DOTD TR 106, Determining Total Moisture and Free Moisture in Aggregates

OVERLOADING

A sieve is considered overloaded when the mass of the material retained on a sieve exceeds the maximum allowed as follows:

1. For sieves with openings 4.75 µm (No. 4) and larger, the mass in kilograms shall not exceed the product of 2.5 x sieve opening in millimeters x effective area of sieving surface in square meters (the mass in pounds shall not exceed the product of 0.089 x sieve opening in inches x effective area of sieving surface in square inches.

2. For sieves with openings smaller than No. 4 (4.75 µm), the mass in kilograms shall not exceed 7 x effective area of sieving surface in square meters (the mass in pounds shall not exceed 0.01 x area of sieving surface in square inches).

Table 2 shows the maximum allowable mass retained on any sieve at the completion of the sieving operation for standard screen sizes based on the above relationships.

Table 2 Maximum Mass of Material Retained on Selected Sieves/Screens					
Sieve/ Screen Sizes	BOX SCREEN 420 x 340 mm (16 ½ x 13 ½ in) kg (lb)	STD. MECHANICAL SHAKER SCREEN 375 x 580 mm (14 ¾ X 22 ¾ in) kg (lb)	U. S. STANDARD 305 mm (12 in Dia.) kg (lb)	U. S. STANDARD 254 mm (10 in Dia.) kg (lb)	U. S. STANDARD 203 mm (8 in Dia.) kg (lb)
50mm (2 in)	17.96 (39.65)	27.10 (59.73)	8.38 (18.47)	5.72 (12.61)	3.56 (7.85)
37.5mm (1½ in)	13.47 (29.74)	20.33 (44.80)	6.28 (13.84)	4.29 (9.46)	2.67 (5.89)
25.0mm (1 in)	8.98 (19.82)	13.55 (29.86)	4.19 (9.24)	2.86 (6.17)	1.78 (3.92)
19.0mm (¾ in)	6.83 (14.87)	10.30 (22.40)	3.18 (7.01)	2.17 (4.78)	1.35 (2.98)
12.5mm (½ in)	4.49 (9.91)	6.78 (14.93)	2.09 (4.61)	1.43 (3.15)	0.89 (1.96)
9.5mm (⅜ in)	3.41 (7.43)	5.15 (11.20)	1.59 (3.51)	1.09 (2.40)	0.67 (1.48)
4.75mm (No. 4)	1.62 (3.71)	2.44 (5.60)	0.75 (1.75)	0.54 (1.19)	0.33 (0.73)
<4.75mm (No. 4)	1.01 (2.23)	1.52 (3.36)	0.47 (1.43)	0.40 (0.89)	0.20 (0.44)

DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this test procedure, the following definitions will apply.

Coarse Aggregate – Naturally occurring or manufactured materials that are retained on the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve.

Fine Aggregate – Naturally occurring or manufactured materials that pass the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve.

Decantation Loss – "Decant Loss" on Worksheet. The amount of material loss when washing over the 75 µm sieve.

Percent Difference – The difference between the initial dry total mass and the accumulated total mass, expressed as a percentage of initial dry total mass. This difference is usually caused by material loss during testing or weighing errors. This parameter is used to judge the accuracy of the test result.

Split Sample – A representative portion of material passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve used to reduce sample size in order to determine the gradation of fine aggregate.

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Method A

I. Scope

This method of test is used to determine the particle size distribution of aggregates by dry sieving only.

II. Apparatus

A. **Balance**
   1. Sample size 2 kg or less, readability and sensitivity to 0.1 g.
   2. Sample size greater than 2 kg, but not more than 5 kg, readability and sensitivity to 1 g.
   3. Sample size greater than 5 kg, readability and sensitivity to 2 g.
B. **Mechanical Sieve Shaker –** capable of imparting a vertical or lateral and vertical motion to the sieves, causing the particles thereon to bounce and turn, presenting different orientations to the sieving surface.
C. **Sieves –** conforming to the requirements for AASHTO Designation M 92. Sieve sizes will be appropriate for the specifications for which the material is being tested. Additional sieves may be necessary to prevent overloading of these primary sieves.
D. **Catch Pan**
E. **Drying Device**
   1. **Oven –** an oven capable of maintaining a temperature of 110 ± 5°C (230 ± 9°F), 55 ± 5°C (131 ± 9°F), and 38 ± 5°C (100 ± 9°F).
   2. **Hot Plate –** an approved hot plate with a shield. Open-flame hot plates must be equipped with a shield which evenly disperses heat and prevents direct contact of the flame with the drying pan.

   3. **Miscellaneous tools –** spoons, spatulas, brushes, etc.
F. **Personal Protective Equipment –** goggles, dust respirator, equipment for handling hot substances
G. **Aggregate Test Report –** DOTD Form No. 03-22-0745 (Figure A-1).

III. Health Precautions

Proper equipment and precautions are to be used whenever hot materials or equipment must be handled. Use container holders or gloves while handling hot containers. Use appropriate respirator and turn on ventilation system when working in dusty areas.

IV. Sample

Sample adequate material to comply with Table 1 after drying to constant mass; however, in no case shall the minimum sample size be less than 13 kg.

V. Procedure

A. Dry the sample in accordance with DOTD TR 106.
B. Obtain a representative portion, in accordance with DOTD TR 108, which will yield at least the minimum quantity shown in Table 1. Record on the worksheet as initial dry total mass in the entry field.

***Note A-1**: To obtain the minimum mass of the representative portion of lightweight aggregate, multiply the values shown in Table 1 by 0.5.*

TABLE 1 Approximate Minimum Mass of Dry Representative Portion	
[1]Maximum Size	Approximate Minimum Mass, Dried
90 mm (3 ½ in)	35 kg
75 mm (3 in)	30 kg
63 mm (2 ½ in)	25 kg
50 mm (2 in)	20 kg
37.5 mm (1 ½ in)	13 kg
25.0 mm (1 in)	10 kg
19.0 mm (¾ in)	5 kg
12.5 mm (½ in)	2 kg
9.5 mm (⅜in)	1 kg
4.75 mm (No. 4)	500 g
2.36 mm (No. 8)	100 g
[1]Maximum Size – for the purpose of this test procedure, maximum size is defined as the first sieve on which the specifications allow material to be retained.	

C. Use the specifications to select the appropriate sieves to determine the particle distribution, including additional sieves necessary to prevent overloading of specification sieves.

Note A-2: *Refer to the introduction for information on overloading of sieves.*

D. Nest sieves in mechanical shaker in order of decreasing size of openings from top to bottom, placing the catch pan on the bottom.
E. Pour representative portion over top sieve.
F. Turn on mechanical shaker. Continue sieving operation to refusal.

Note A-3: *Refusal is defined as the point when not more than 0.5% by mass of the representative portion passes through any sieve during one minute of continuous sieving.*

G. Determine the mass of the material retained on each sieve and the catch pan and record on the worksheet in the designated locations as "Mass Retained."
H. Check the mass retained for each sieve and refer to the table in the Introduction to determine if any sieve has been overloaded.
    1. If no sieve has been overloaded, proceed to Step I.
    2. If a sieve has been overloaded, recombine the representative portion.
        a. If intermediate sieve(s) are available, insert the appropriate intermediate sieve(s) immediately above the overloaded sieve(s) in the nest, and repeat the sieving operation in accordance with Steps E – H.
        b. If the correct size intermediate sieve(s) are not available, split the recombined representative portion in accordance with DOTD TR 108. Repeat Steps E – H for each portion. IN Step G, add the masses retained on each sieve size for each portion and record the sum as "Mass Retained".
I. Add together the Mass Retained for each individual sieve and the catch pan, then record this sum as "Accumulated Total".
J. Determine and record the following to the degree of accuracy shown in the example on the worksheet (Figure A-1).
    1. The percent difference in accordance with Step VI.A. If the percent difference exceeds 0.2%, obtain a new representative portion and repeat Steps V.C – V.J. or a new sample and repeat the test.

2. The percent retained on each sieve in accordance with Step VI.B.
3. The percent coarser than each sieve size in accordance with Step VI.C.
4. The percent passing each sieve in accordance with Step VI.D.

VI. Calculations

A. Calculate the percent difference using the following formula:

$$D = \frac{W_i - W_a}{W_i} \times 100$$

where:

D = percent difference
W_i = initial dry total mass, g
W_a = accumulated total mass, g
100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example:

W_i = 17,573
W_a = 17,568

$$D = \frac{17573 - 17568}{17573} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{5}{17573} \times 100$$

$$= 0.000284 \times 100$$

$$= 0.0284$$

$$D = 0.0284\%$$

B. Calculate the percent retained for each sieve using the following formula:

$$R = \frac{W_x}{W_a} \times 100$$

where:

R = percent retained
W_x = mass retained on each individual sieve (x), g
W_a = accumulated total mass, g
100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example: *19mm (¾ in) sieve*

W_{19} = 2, 556
W_a = 17, 568

$$R = \frac{2556}{17568} \times 100$$

$$= 0.145491 \times 100$$
$$= 14.5491$$
$$R = 14.55$$

C. Calculate the Percent Coarser (Cumulative Percent Retained) for each sieve using the following formula:

$$C_x = \sum R_x$$

where x goes from all sieves >x to x

where:
C_x = percent coarser for each sieve (x)
R_x = percent retained for sieve (x)
$\sum$ = sum of & retained on all sieve larger than sieve (x)

example:

$R_{37.6}$ = 0
$R_{19.0}$ = 14.55
$R_{4.75}$ = 82.40

$$C_{4.75mm} = 0 + 14.55 + 82.40$$

$$C_{4375mm} = 96.95$$

D. Calculate the Percent Passing for each sieve using the following formula:

$$P_x = 100 - C_x$$

where:

P = percent passing
C_x = Percent coarser for sieve x
100 = constant representing 100%

example: *4.75 mm sieve*

$C_{4.75}$ = 96.95

$$P_{4.75\ mm} = 100 - 96.95$$
$$= 3.05$$
$$P_{4.75\ mm} = 3\%$$

VII. Report

Report the percent passing each sieve to the nearest whole percent.

VIII. Normal Testing and Reporting Time

Normal testing and reporting time is 2 days.

Figure A-1

Aggregate Test Report (03-22-0745)

Method B

DOTD Designation: TR 113- 15

Method B

I. Scope

This method of test is used in conjunction with DOTD TR 112 to determine the particle size distribution of aggregates by washing and dry sieving.

II. Apparatus

A. **Balance**
1. Sample size 2 kg or less, readability and sensitivity to 0.1 g.
2. Sample size greater than 2 kg, but not more than 5 kg, readability and sensitivity to 1 g.
3. Sample size greater than 5 kg, readability and sensitivity to 2 g.
B. **Mechanical Sieve Shaker –** capable of imparting a vertical or lateral and vertical motion to the sieves, causing the particles thereon to bounce and turn, presenting different orientations to the sieving surface.
C. **Sieves –** conforming to the requirements for AASHTO Designation M 92. Sieve sizes will be appropriate for the specifications for which the material is being tested. Additional sieves may be necessary to prevent overloading of these primary sieves.
D. **Catch Pan**
E. **Drying Device**
1. **Oven –** an oven capable of maintaining a temperature of 110 ± 5°C (230 ± 9°F), 55 ± 5°C (131 ± 9°F), and 38 ± 5°C (100 ± 9°F).
2. **Hot Plate –** an approved hot plate with a shield. Open-flame hot plates must be equipped with a shield which evenly disperses heat and prevents direct contact of the flame with the drying pan.
F. **Miscellaneous tools –** spoons, spatulas, brushes, etc.

G. **Personal Protective Equipment –** goggles, dust respirator, equipment for handling hot substances
H. **Aggregate Test Report –** DOTD Form No. 03-22-0745 (Figure B-1).

III. Health Precautions

Proper equipment and precautions are to be used whenever hot materials or equipment must be handled. Use container holders or gloves while handling hot containers. Use appropriate respirator and turn on ventilation system when working in dusty areas.

IV. Sample

Sample adequate material to comply with Table 1 after drying to constant mass; however, in no case shall the minimum sample size be less than 13 kg.

V. Procedure

A. Dry the sample in accordance with DOTD TR 106.
B. Obtain a representative portion, in accordance with DOTD TR 108, which will yield at least the minimum quantity shown in Table 1. Record on the worksheet as initial dry total mass in the lower entry field.
C. Determine the decantation loss, in accordance with DOTD TR 112.
D. Use the specifications to select the appropriate sieves to determine the particle distribution, including additional sieves necessary to prevent overloading of specification sieves.

TABLE 1 Approximate Minimum Mass of Dry Representative Portion	
[1]Maximum Size	Approximate Minimum Mass, Dried
90 mm (3 ½ in)	35 kg
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50 mm (2 in)	20 kg
37.5 mm (1 ½ in)	13 kg
25.0 mm (1 in)	10 kg
19.0 mm (¾ in)	5 kg
12.5 mm (½ in)	2 kg
9.5 mm (⅜in)	1 kg
4.75 mm (No. 4)	500 g
2.36 mm (No. 8)	100 g
[1]Maximum Size – for the purpose of this test procedure, maximum size is defined as the first sieve on which the specifications allow material to be retained.	

Note B-1: *Refer to the Introduction for information on overloading of sieves.*

E. Nest sieves in mechanical shaker in order of decreasing size of openings from top to bottom, placing the catch pan on the bottom.

F. Pour the dried test specimen remaining from DOTD TR 112 over top sieve.

G. Turn on mechanical shaker. Continue sieving operation to refusal.

Note B-2: *Refusal is defined as the point when not more than 0.5% by mass of the test specimen passes through any sieve during one minute of continuous sieving.*

H. Determine the mass of the material retained on each sieve and the catch pan and record on the worksheet in the designated locations as "Mass Retained."

I. Check the mass retained for each sieve and refer to the table in the Introduction to determine if any sieve has been overloaded.
   1. If no sieve has been overloaded, proceed to Step J.
   2. If a sieve has been overloaded, recombine the test specimen.
      a. If intermediate sieve(s) are available, insert the appropriate intermediate sieve(s) immediately above the overloaded sieve(s) in the next, and repeat the sieving operation in accordance with Steps F – I.
      b. If the correct size intermediate sieve(s) are not available, split the recombined test specimen in accordance with DOTD TR 108. Repeat Steps F – I for each portion. In Step H, add the masses retained on each sieve size for each portion and record the sum as "Mass Retained".

J. Add together the Mass Retained for each individual sieve, the catch pan, and the "decant loss" from DOTD TR 112, then record this sum as "Accumulated Total".

K. Determine and record the following:
   1. The percent difference in accordance with Step VI.A. If the percent difference exceeds 0.2%, obtain a new sample and repeat the entire test procedure.
   2. The percent retained on each sieve in accordance with Step VI.B.
   3. The percent coarser than each sieve size in accordance with Step VI.C.
   4. The percent passing each sieve in accordance with Step VI.D.

VI. Calculations

A. Calculate the percent difference using the following formula:

$$D = \frac{W_i - W_a}{W_i} \times 100$$

D = percent difference
W_i = initial dry total mass, g
W_a = accumulated total mass, g
100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example:

W_i = 522.0 g
W_a = 521.8

$$D = \frac{522.0 - 521.8}{522.0} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{0.2}{522.0} \times 100$$

$$= 0.000383 \times 100$$

$$= 0.0383$$

$$D = 0.0383\%$$

B. Calculate the percent retained for each sieve using the following formula:

$$R = \frac{W_x}{W_a} \times 100$$

where:

R = percent retained
W_x = mass retained on each individual sieve (x), g
W_a = accumulated total mass, g
100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example: *4.75mm sieve*

$W_{4.75}$ = 20.4 g
W_a = 521.8 g

$$R = \frac{20.4}{521.8} \times 100$$

$$= 0.039095 \times 100$$
$$= 3.9095$$
$$R = 3.91$$

C. Calculate the Percent Coarser (Cumulative Percent Retained) for each sieve using the following formula:

$$C_x = \sum R_x$$

where x goes from all sieves >x to x

where:
C_x = percent coarser for each sieve (x)
R_x = percent retained for sieve (x)
$\sum$ = sum of & retained on all sieve larger than sieve (x)

example:

$R_{9.6}$ = 0
$R_{4.75}$ = 3.91
$R_{1.18}$ = 12.90

$$C_{1.18\,mm} = 0 + 3.91 + 12.90$$

$$C_{1.18\,mm} = 16.81$$

D. Calculate the Percent Passing for each sieve using the following formula:

$$P_x = 100 - C_x$$

where:

P = percent passing
C_x = Percent coarser for sieve x
100 = constant representing 100%

example: *for 1.18 mm Sieve*

$$C_{1.18} = 16.81$$

$$P_{1.18} = 100 - 16.81$$
$$= 83.19$$
$$P_{1.18} = 83\%$$

VII. Report

Report the results of the sieve analysis to the nearest whole percent.

VIII. Normal Testing and Reporting Time

Normal testing and reporting time is 2 days.

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AGGREGATE TEST REPORT

DOTD 03-22-0745
Metric / English
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Metric / English **E** (M or E - Located on MATT Menu)

Field	Value
Project No.	999-99-99999
Date Sampled	04-23-11
Material Code	5710
Submitted By	9071
Lab No.	22-999999
Quantity	1000
Purp Code	3
Source Code	AA99
Spec Code	1
P.O. No.	
Date Tested	04-24-11
Ident	SAND 11
Plant Code	
Frict.Rating	(1-4)
Item No.	601(01)
Date Rec'd (lab)	4/23/11
Sampled By:	MS

Remarks 1

Tested By __CC__ Date __4/24/11__ Checked By __NSH__ Date __4/24/11__

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Unit **1** 1 = grams 2 = pounds

Sieve mm	Sieve In.	Mass (Wt) Retained	% Retained	% Coarser	% Passing
63	2 1/2				
50	2				
37.5	1 1/2				
31.5	1 1/4				
25.0	1				
19.0	3/4				
16.0	5/8				
12.5	1/2				
9.5	3/8	10	0	0	100
4.75	No. 4	201.4	3.91	3.91	96
Mass (Wt) Matl.in Pan					
Accum. Total					

Initial Dry Total Mass, (Wt) |_____| % Diff:

Unit **1** 1 = grams 2 = pounds

Sieve mm/µm	Sieve No.	Mass (Wt) Retained	% Retained	% Coarser	% Passing
2.36	8				
2.00	10				
1.18	16	67.3			
600	30	102.8			
425	40	131.2			
300	50	118.4			
180	80				
150	100	65.5			
75	200	13.0			
53	270				
Mass (Wt) Matl.in Pan		101.9			
Decant Loss		2.3			
Accum. Total		521.8			

Initial Dry Total Mass, (Wt) |__522.0__| % Diff: 0.04

Dry Mass (Wt) After Wash |__519.7__|

DOTD TR 428

Field	Value		Field	Value
Liquid Limit			Plastic Limit	
No. of Blows			Mass Cup + Wet Soil,g	
Mass Cup + Wet Soil,g			Mass Cup + Dry Soil,g	
Mass Cup + Dry Soil,g			Mass Water	
Mass Water			Cup No.	
Factor			Mass Cup, g	
Cup No.			Mass Dry Soil	
Mass Cup, g			% Moisture	
Mass Dry Soil				
% Moisture			Plasticity Index	

Test	Value
Absorption, % (T84 or T85)	
Spec Grav SSD (T84 or T85)	
Spec Grav APP (TR 300)	
Effective Spec Grav (TR 300)	
Opt Moist Content,%(TR 418)	
Maximum Density (TR 418) kg/m³ (lb/ft³)	
Lab Comp Method (TR 418)	
Cement, % (TR 432 or SPECIFIED)	
Lime, % (TR 416 or SPECIFIED)	
Other (Additive) Code ____ %	
Clay Lumps, % (TR 119)	
Friable Particles, % (TR 119)	
Clay Lumps & Friable Particles % (TR 119)	
Flat or Elongated Part,%(TR 119)	
Coal & Lignite, % (TR 119)	
Glassy Particles, % (TR 119)	
Iron Ore, % (TR 119)	
Wood, % (TR 119)	
Total (Clay Lumps, Fri.Part.,Iron Ore, Coal & Lignite, Wood),%(TR 119)	
Foreign Matter, % (TR 109)	
Clam Shell, % (TR 110)	
Soundness, % Loss (T 104)	
Abrasion, % Loss (T 96)	
Colorimetric Test (1=Pass, 2=Fail) (T 21)	
Asphalt Content, % (TR 307)	
Retained Asphalt Coating, % (TR 317)	
Percent Crushed (TR 306)	
Retained Marshall Stability (TR 313)	
Resistivity, ohm - cm (TR 429)	
pH (TR 430)	
Organic Content, % (TR 413)	
Sand Equivalent (TR 120)	

Remarks 2:

Approved By: _____ Date: _____

**Figure B-1
Aggregate Test Report (03-22-0745)**

Method C

DOTD Designation: TR 113-15

Method C

I. Scope

This method of test is used in conjunction with DOTD TR 112 to determine the particle size distribution of aggregates by dry sieving the material retained on the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve, then washing and dry sieving the material passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve (split sample).

II. Apparatus

A. **Balance**
   1. Sample size 2 kg or less, readability and sensitivity to 0.1 g.
   2. Sample size greater than 2 kg, but not more than 5 kg, readability and sensitivity to 1 g.
   3. Sample size greater than 5 kg, readability and sensitivity to 2 g.
B. **Mechanical Sieve Shaker –** capable of imparting a vertical or lateral and vertical motion to the sieves, causing the particles thereon to bounce and turn, presenting different orientations to the sieving surface.
C. **Sieves –** conforming to the requirements for AASHTO Designation M 92. Sieve sizes will be appropriate for the specifications for which the material is being tested. Additional sieves may be necessary to prevent overloading of these primary sieves.
D. **Catch Pan**
E. **Drying Device**
   1. **Oven –** an oven capable of maintaining a temperature of 110 ± 5°C (230 ± 9°F), 55 ± 5°C (131 ± 9°F), and 38 ± 5°C (100 ± 9°F).
   2. **Hot Plate –** an approved hot plate with a shield. Open-flame hot plates must be equipped with a shield which evenly disperses heat and prevents direct contact of the flame with the drying pan.

G. **Miscellaneous tools –** spoons, spatulas, brushes, etc.
I. **Personal Protective Equipment –** goggles, dust respirator, equipment for handling hot substances
J. **Aggregate Test Report –** DOTD Form No. 03-22-0745 (Figure C-1).

III. Health Precautions

Proper equipment and precautions are to be used whenever hot materials or equipment must be handled. Use container holders or gloves while handling hot containers. Use appropriate respirator and turn on ventilation system when working in dusty areas.

IV. Sample

Sample adequate material to comply with Table 1 after drying to constant mass; however, in no case shall the minimum sample size be less than 13 kg.

V. Procedure

A. Dry the sample in accordance with DOTD TR 106.
B. Obtain a representative portion, in accordance with DOTD TR 108, which will yield at least the minimum quantity shown in Table 1. Record on the worksheet as initial dry total mass in the upper entry field.
C. Use the specifications to select the appropriate sieves from the largest to the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve, to determine the particle distribution of the coarse fraction and the amount of material passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve in accordance with Steps V.D – V.J. of Method A.

TABLE 1 Approximate Minimum Mass of Dry Representative Portion	
[1]Maximum Size	Approximate Minimum Mass, Dried
90 mm (3 ½ in)	35 kg
75 mm (3 in)	30 kg
63 mm (2 ½ in)	25 kg
50 mm (2 in)	20 kg
37.5 mm (1 ½ in)	13 kg
25.0 mm (1 in)	10 kg
19.0 mm (¾ in)	5 kg
12.5 mm (½ in)	2 kg
9.5 mm (⅜in)	1 kg
4.75 mm (No. 4)	500 g
2.36 mm (No. 8)	100 g
[1]Maximum Size – for the purpose of this test procedure, maximum size is defined as the first sieve on which the specifications allow material to be retained.	

D. Determine the particle distribution of the material passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve in accordance with Steps V.B – V.K. of Method B.

VI. Calculations

A. Calculate the percent difference using the following formula:

$$D = \frac{W_i - W_a}{W_i} \times 100$$

D = percent difference
W_i = initial dry total mass, g
W_a = accumulated total mass, g

100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example:

W_i = 15,784
W_a = 15,782

$$D = \frac{15784 - 15782}{15784} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{2}{15784} \times 100$$

$$= 0.000126 \times 100$$

$$= 0.0126$$

$$D = 0.01\%$$

B. Calculate the percent retained for each sieve using the following formula:

$$R = \frac{W_x}{W_a} \times 100$$

where:

R = percent retained
W_x = mass retained on each individual sieve (x), g
W_a = accumulated total mass, g
100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example: *4.75mm sieve*
$W_{4.75}$ = 7,841
W_a = 15,782

$$R = \frac{7841}{15782} \times 100$$

$$= 0.496831 \times 100$$
$$= 49.6831$$
$$R = 49.68\%$$

C. Calculate the Percent Coarser (Cumulative Percent Retained) for each sieve using the following formula:

$$C_x = \sum R_x$$

where x goes from all sieves >x to x

where:

    C_x = percent coarser for each sieve (x)
    R_x = percent retained for sieve (x)
    $\sum$ = sum of & retained on all sieve larger than sieve (x)

example:

    $R_{37.5}$ = 0.98 mm
    $R_{4.75}$ = 49.68 mm

$$C_{4.75\,mm} = 0.98 + 49.68$$
$$C_{4.75\,mm} = 50.66$$

D. Calculate the Percent Passing for each sieve using the following formula:

$$P_x = 100 - C_x$$

where:

    P = percent passing
    C_x = Percent coarser for sieve x
    100 = constant representing 100%

example: *for 4.75 mm(No. 4) Sieve*

    $C_{4.75}$ = 50.66 mm

$$P_x = 100 - 50.66$$
$$= 49.34$$
$$P_x = 49\%$$

E. Calculate the percent difference for the material passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve, using the following formula:

$$d = \frac{w_i - w_a}{w_i} \times 100$$

where:

    d = percent difference
    w_i = initial dry total Mass of the split portion passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve, g
    w_a = accumulated total mass of the split portion passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve, g
    100 = constant, converting decimal to %

example:

    w_i = 538.4 g
    w_a = 538.1 g

$$d = \frac{538.4 - 538.1}{538.4} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{0.3}{538.4} \times 100$$

$$= 0.000557 \times 100$$

$$= 0.05557$$

$$d = 0.06\%$$

F. Calculate the percent retained for each sieve smaller than the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve using the following formula:

$$r_x = \frac{w_x}{w_a} \times R_{pan}$$

where:

> r_x = percent retained on each sieve
> w_x = mass retained on each individual sieve (x), g
> w_a = accumulated total, g
> R_{pan} = percent of total material retained in the pan, calculated in Step B.

example: *425 mm sieve*

> $w_{425\,mm}$ = 189.2 g
> w_a = 538.1 g
> R_{pan} = 49.32

$$r_{425\,mm} = \frac{189.2}{538.1} \times 49.32$$

$$= 0.35160 \times 49.32$$
$$= 17.3409$$
$$r_{425\,mm} = 17.34$$

G. Calculate the Percent Coarser (Cumulative Percent Retained) for each sieve smaller than 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieve using the following formula:

$$c_x = \sum r_x + \sum R_x$$

where x goes from all sieves >x to x

where:
> c_x = percent coarser for each sieve (x)
> r_x = percent retained for sieve (s)
> $\sum$ = sum of percent retained on all sieves larger than sieve (x)
> $\sum R_x$ = sum of percent retained on 4.75 mm (No. 4) sieves

example:

> $R_{75\mu m}$ = 16.38
> $R_{4.25\mu m}$ = 17.34
> $R_{4.75\mu m}$ = 50.66

$$c_{75\,\mu m} = 16.38 + 17.34 + 50.66$$

$$c_{75\,\mu m} = 84.38$$

H. Calculate the Percent Passing for each sieve finer than the 4.75 mm (No. 4) using the following formula:

$$p_x = 100 - c_x$$

where:

> p_x = material passing sieve x, %
> c_x = material coarser than sieve x, %
> 100 = constant representing 100%

example: *75 µm (NO. 200) sieve*

> $c_{75\mu m}$ = 84.38

$$p_{75\mu m} = 100 - 84.38$$
$$= 15.62$$
$$p_{75\mu m} = 16\%$$

VII. **Report**

Report the results of the sieve analysis to the nearest whole percent.

VIII. **Normal Testing and Reporting Time**

Normal testing and reporting time is 2 days.

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AGGREGATE TEST REPORT

DOTD 03-22-0745
Metric / English
Rev. 11/98

Metric / English **M** (M or E - Located on MATT Menu)

Project No. 999-99-9999 Material Code 570 Lab No. 22-999999

Date Sampled 05-10-99 Submitted By 0071 Quantity 1100

Purp Code 3 Source Code AA99 Spec Code 1 P.O. No.

Date Tested 05-11-99 Ident Plant Code Frict. Rating (1-4)

Item No. 601-01 Date Rec'd (lab) 5-10-99 Sampled By C.G.

Remarks 1

Tested By N.H. Date 5/11/99 Checked By B.W. Date 5/11/99

DOTD TR 102, 112, 113 & 309

Unit 1 = grams 2 = pounds

mm	Sieve In.	Mass (Wt) Retained	% Retained	% Coarser	% Passing
63	2 1/2				
50	2				
37.5	1 1/2	156	0.98	0.98	99
31.5	1 1/4				
25.0	1				
19.0	3/4				
16.0	5/8				
12.5	1/2				
9.5	3/8				
4.75	No. 4	7841	49.68	50.66	49
Mass (Wt) Mat.in Pan		7785	49.32		
Accum. Total		15782			

Initial Dry Total Mass, (Wt) 15784 % Diff: 0.01

Unit 1 = grams 2 = pounds

mm/µm	Sieve No.	Mass (Wt) Retained	% Retained	% Coarser	% Passing
2.36	8				
2.00	10				
1.18	16				
600	30				
425	40	189.2	17.34	68.00	32
300	50				
180	80				
150	100				
75	200	178.8	16.38	84.38	16
53	270				
Mass (Wt) Mat.in Pan		30.7	2.81		
Decant Loss		139.4			
Accum. Total		538.7			

Initial Dry Total Mass, (Wt) % Diff: 0.04

Dry Mass (Wt) After Wash

DOTD TR 428

Liquid Limit _____ Plastic Limit _____

No. of Blows Mass Cup + Wet Soil, g

Mass Cup + Wet Soil, g Mass Cup + Dry Soil, g

Mass Cup + Dry Soil, g Mass Water

Mass Water Cup No.

Factor Mass Cup, g

Cup No. Mass Dry Soil

Mass Cup, g % Moisture

Mass Dry Soil

% Moisture Plasticity Index _____

Absorption, % (T84 or T85)
Spec Grav SSD (T84 or T85)
Spec Grav APP (TR 300)
Effective Spec Grav (TR 300)
Opt Moist Content, %(TR 418)
Maximum Density (TR 418) kg/m^3 (lb/ft^3)
Lab Comp Method (TR 418)
Cement, % (TR 432 or SPECIFIED)
Lime, % (TR 416 or SPECIFIED)
Other (Additive) Code _____ %
Clay Lumps, % (TR 119)
Friable Particles, % (TR 119)
Clay Lumps & Friable Particles %(TR 119)
Flat or Elongated Part, %(TR 119)
Coal & Lignite, % (TR 119)
Glassy Particles, % (TR 119)
Iron Ore, % (TR 119)
Wood, % (TR 119)
Total (Clay Lumps, Fri.Part.,Iron Ore, Coal & Lignite, Wood), %(TR 119)
Foreign Matter, % (TR 109)
Clam Shell, % (TR 110)
Soundness, % Loss (T 104)
Abrasion, % Loss (T 96)
Colorimetric Test (1 = Pass, 2 = Fail) (T 21)
Asphalt Content, % (TR 307)
Retained Asphalt Coating, % (TR 317)
Percent Crushed (TR 306)
Retained Marshall Stability (TR 313)
Resistivity, ohm - cm (TR 429)
pH (TR 430)
Organic Content, % (TR 413)
Sand Equivalent (TR 120)

Approved By: _____ Date: _____

Remarks 2:

Figure C-1
Aggregate Test Report (03-22-0745)